

1 COMMUNICATING A CHANNEL-CHANGE EVENT FROM A SET TOP BOX TO A

2 DIGITAL VIDEO RECORDER

4 ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A digital video recorder (DVR) for use with a monitor and a set top box (STB) is
6 disclosed. The STB demodulates program data by tuning to at least one of a plurality of channels
7 and comprises a DVR interface. The DVR comprises a local memory for storing the program
8 data received from the STB, and a STB interface for communicating with the DVR interface. The
9 DVR further comprises a DVR controller for communicating control data to direct the STB to
10 tune to a selected channel, and for receiving a channel-change event from the STB in connection
11 with the STB changing the tuned channel.